

among youth, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 105-105 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

52.39 TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 956. Referral to the Committee on Commerce extended for a period ending not later than May 20, 1997.

52.40 DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the Committee on Commerce discharged from further consideration. H.R. 956 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

52.41 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. COBLE:

H.R. 1661. A bill to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CAMP (for himself and Mr. LEVIN):

H.R. 1662. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 with respect to the treatment of effectively connected investment income of insurance companies; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. DOOLITTLE:

H.R. 1663. A bill to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mrs. EMERSON (for herself, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. WELLER, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WISE, Mr. BLUNT, Ms. DANNER, Mr. TALENT, Mr. CLAY, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, and Mr. HULSHOF):

H.R. 1664. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, relating to the bridge discretionary program; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. HAYWORTH (for himself and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia):

H.R. 1665. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the small issuer exemption from pro rata allocation of interest expense of financial institutions to tax-exempt interest; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HEFLEY:

H.R. 1666. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to eliminate provisions of Federal law that provide special support for, or burdens on, the operation of Amtrak as a passenger rail carrier, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 1667. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the dependent care credit and to allow such credit for respite care expenses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KASICH:

H.R. 1668. A bill to authorize the reburial in the Memorial Amphitheater at Arlington National Cemetery of an unknown American who lost his life while serving in the Union Army of the United States during the Civil War, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 1669. A bill to authorize the reburial in the Memorial Amphitheater at Arlington National Cemetery of two unknown Americans who lost their lives during the Civil War, one while serving in the Union Army of the United States and the other while serving in the Army of the Confederate States of America, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut:

H.R. 1670. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to require air carriers to establish procedures for responding to in-flight medical emergencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. MARTINEZ (for himself, Mr. GREEN, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, and Mr. FILNER):

H.R. 1671. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for Federal-State performance partnerships, to consolidate all nutrition programs under the act in the Department of Health and Human Services, to extend authorizations of appropriations for programs under the act through fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

H.R. 1672. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit tax-free distributions of property by cooperative housing corporations to its shareholders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. SAXTON, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. FOLEY):

H.R. 1673. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for an increase in update for certain hospitals with a high proportion of Medicare patients; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan:

H.R. 1674. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the amount of the unified credit against estate and gift taxes and to increase the amount of estate tax deferral available to owners of small businesses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SPRATT:

H.R. 1675. A bill to require the Secretary of the Air Force to conduct a study to identify Air Force property suitable for exchange to acquire land authorized for addition to Shaw Air Force Base in the State of South Carolina; to the Committee on National Security.

H.R. 1676. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the competitive selection of lessees when a military department leases certain nonexcess personal property and to ensure that the Government obtains fair market value for the property; to the Committee on National Security.

H.R. 1677. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain chemicals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 1678. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Para ethyl phenol [PEP]; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEARNS (for himself, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. BURR of North Carolina, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Ms. CARSON, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. COYNE, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. FROST, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. GOODLING, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. KLING, Mr. LEACH, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, Mr. MORAN

of Virginia, Mr. OLVER, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. WALSH, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 1679. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute of a program regarding life-saving interventions for individuals who experience cardiac arrest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. WELDON of Florida:

H.R. 1680. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a separate election for each spouse under the one time election to exclude gain on the sale or exchange of a principal residence and to increase the maximum exclusion to \$250,000 if both a husband and wife make the election for the same residence; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GILMAN (for himself and Mr. HAMILTON):

H.R. 1681. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 with respect to the activities of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 1682. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an exclusion of capital gains upon the sale of a principal residence; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCOLLUM (for himself, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. RANSTAD, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. FOLEY, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. SNOWBARGER, and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN):

H.R. 1683. A bill to clarify the standards for State sex offender registration programs under the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SOUDER (for himself, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. CHABOT, and Mr. HOSTETTLER):

H.R. 1684. A bill to increase the unified estate and gift tax credit to exempt small businesses and farmers from inheritance taxes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. WOLF (for himself, Mr. PORTER, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BISHOP, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. MANTON, Mr. OLVER, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. BOB SCHAFFER, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. COOKSEY, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. CANADY of Florida, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. EHLERS, and Mr. WAMP):

H.R. 1685. A bill to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, the Judiciary, Banking and Financial Services, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. COLLINS:

H. Res. 154. Resolution expressing the sense of the House that the Nation's children are its most valuable assets and that their protection should be the Nation's highest priority; to the Committee on the Judiciary.